Health & Safety Subcommittee Meeting November 16, 2011



# **Senior Citizens Commission Health and Safety Sub-Committee**

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#### AGENDA

2:00-3:30 P.M.

**November 16, 2011** 

San Jose City Hall 200 E. Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95110 Room T-747

The San José Senior Citizens Commission solicits the presence of all Committee Members and invites the public to this meeting. **If you are unable to attend or have any questions, please inform Linda Brewka at (408) 794-1632.** To arrange an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate in this public meeting, please call (800) 735-2929 (TTY) at least 48 hours before the meeting.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Announcements may be made near the beginning of the meeting. Print announcements forwarded to the San José Office on Aging prior to the meeting and will be available for viewing in the Correspondence Binder.

#### **OPEN FORUM:**

Persons wishing to address the Commission on matters not on the agenda may do so under Open Forum. Speakers are limited to 2 minutes. All statements that require a response may be placed on the agenda for a future meeting and may be referred to staff for review and reply in writing.

ITEM WHO

# (a) CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Vaidya

#### (b) INTRODUCTIONS

All

(1) Introduction of Other Guests

#### (c) ADOPTION OF ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Once adopted, a variation in agenda order must be approved. If you wish an item taken in a different order, your request should be made at this time. The meeting may be recorded.

## (d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

All

(1) Approval of August 24, 2011 Meeting Minutes.

#### **ACTION:**

## (e) **OPEN FORUM**

Presentations from persons wishing to address the Committee on matters not on the agenda may do so at this time. Speakers are limited to 2 minutes. All statements that require a response may be placed on the agenda for a future meeting and may be referred to staff for review and reply in writing.

## (f) CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Vaidya

# (g) OLD BUSINESS

(1) Review the implementation of the Safety Plan for Community Centers providing a nutrition program.

All

(2) Tracey Gott will present the final (revised) Work Plan for 2011-2012.

# (h) <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- (1) Review of the proposed "Ageism Prevention & Awareness Initiative" report for developing sensitivity training program for staff/police that work with seniors.

  Cadena/Williamson
- (2) Update to any proposed changes to VTA bus service for senior nutrition program sites. Saltman
- (3) Review of the proposed "Legacy project" by the Rotary Club of San Jose. The "Legacy Project" is envisioned as an "Equal Pay" play area, near the Guadalupe River Park and Gardens Visitor Center for children. Consideration is also being given in regards to amenities for their parents, grand parents or others.

  Lasson
- (4) Public Awareness Campaign regarding the work of the San Jose Senior Citizens Commission.

  Study the feasibility and logistics to develop promotional and informational materials to represent seniors at various festivals and Council District Community events held throughout the year.

  Vaidya
- (5) Discussion and possible action on new appliance and access aids to mobile home living / and coaches for the disabled or those with limited mobility or seniors in need of assistance for acquiring these services to maintain independent and quality living.

  Saltman

# (i) STATUS REPORT ON OBJECTIVES

- (a) Continue monitoring community centers to ensure that seniors continue to receive educational workshops on the requirements of MediCal and MediCare. (Lead: no action planned for this year)
- (b) Study and make a recommendation to the Senior Commission in regards to publicity and promotional opportunities that will educate seniors on existing resources and current issues such as elder abuse and scams.

  Williamson/Cadena
- (c) Continue to monitor PRNS Facility Re-Use impact to senior programs at sites recently added to the re-use list (Alma, Hank Lopez, Northside and St. James).
- (d) Review the feasibility of creating a survey relating to what educational seminars seniors would like to have at their senior centers. Williamson
- (e) Study and make recommendations to develop sensitivity training for staff/police that work With Cadena/Williamson

# (j) TABLED OBJECTIVES

- (f) Continue monitoring senior transportation needs based on survey completed in 2008-09. (Lead: no action planned for this year)
- (g) Continue monitoring the need for the City of San Jose to lease buses from VTA to provide transportation to senior community. (Lead: no action planned for this year)
- (h) Continue monitoring the status of San Jose State University's Gerontology Program Assign one Commissioner
- (i) Continue monitoring senior pedestrian safety especially in crosswalks near senior facilities. (Lead: no action planned for this year).
- (j) The group called the Agents for Change which is a group through the Health Trust, is looking for ideas on how to advocate for seniors, and they would like to collaborate with us. There was a suggesting that maybe they make a presentation at one of our meetings.

# (k) <u>REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS</u>

## (I) ANNOUNCEMENTS

## (m) <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

Wednesday, February 22, 2012 2:00-3:30 p.m. – Location: City Hall

## (n) ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### (o) <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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